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Hi Jim,

I wanted to let you know about the Governor's plan for the Amherst Drug Lab in his new budget. On July 1<sup>st</sup> the Amherst Lab as well as our parent lab in Boston will come under control of the Massachusetts State Police. According to Public Health sources 7/1/12 to 7/1/13 will be a transition year and no changes will be made. After that possibly changes would be made, however MSP expressed an interest in keeping a drug lab presence in Western Massachusetts. This would of course bring more stability to our funding.

Again thanks for the help in keeping us open.

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